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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7134**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1284

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 3, 2007

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Humane Society Special Group License Plate.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Tincher

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**    **GENERAL**  
                          **X DEDICATED**  
                          **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill establishes the Humane Society special group recognition license plate and sets fees for the plate. It establishes the Humane Society Fund and requires the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) to deposit money from a certain fee for the plate into the Fund. The bill requires the BMV to distribute money from the Fund to humane societies in Indiana.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2007.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** Prison Enterprise Network (PEN PRODUCTS), manufacturing and sales arm of prison-made products, charges the BMV for the manufacture of license plates. For the Humane Society plate, PEN PRODUCTS will charge the BMV \$3.80 per plate for single-color printing under the digital license plate system. The charge for multi-color printing on sheeting under the digital license plate system is \$4.30 per plate.

*Design Charges:* For a new design there is a \$450 charge for set-up. The funds affected are the PEN PRODUCTS Revolving Fund and the Motor Vehicle Highway Account, which supports the operation of the BMV.

*Humane Society Fund:* The bill establishes the Humane Society Fund. The BMV is to administer the Fund, and expenses of administering the Fund are to be paid from the Fund. The BMV is to annually distribute the money in the Fund to humane societies in Indiana. Money in the Fund does not revert to the state General Fund at the end of the state fiscal year.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** *Humane Society Fund:* The bill establishes a \$25 fee for the new license plate and also establishes

the Humane Society Fund into which the new revenue is to be deposited before distribution to humane societies in Indiana. Revenue from the newly created plate is not known. In CY 2005, sales of special recognition license plate sales ranged from 157 plates for the Mental Health plate to 63,685 for the Heritage Trust plate. Plate sales for the newly established plate are likely to fall within this range. Revenue from the \$25 fee for the Mental Health Trust plate amounted to \$3,925, while revenue from the \$25 fee for the Heritage Trust plate amounted to \$1,592,125. Revenue from the Humane Society plate is likely to fall within the range of \$3,925 and \$1,592,125.

*Special Recognition Fee:* In addition, there is a \$15 Special Recognition fee. Revenue from the \$15 Special Recognition fee for the Mental Health Trust plate totaled \$2,355, while revenue from the same fee for the Heritage Trust plate amounted to \$955,275. The following tables show the distribution of the \$15 Special Recognition fee based on the CY 2005 sales of the Mental Health Trust plate and Heritage Trust plate and the uses of the distributed funds.

<b>Minimum and Maximum Distribution of Estimated Special Recognition Fee Revenue.</b>				
<b>Plate Type</b>	<b>MVHA (\$5)</b>	<b>Xrds 2000 (\$1)</b>	<b>BMVC (\$9)</b>	<b>Total (\$15)</b>
Humane Society (If 157 plates sold)*	\$785	\$157	\$1,413	\$2,355
Humane Society (If 63,685 plates sold)*	\$318,425	\$63,685	\$573,165	\$955,275
<p>* Estimates based on CY 2005 sales of Mental Health Trust plate and Heritage Trust plate.</p> <p>MVHA - Motor Vehicle Highway Account  Xrds 2000 - Crossroads 2000  BMVC - Bureau of Motor Vehicle Commission</p>				

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Uses</b>
<b>Motor Vehicle Highway Account</b>	Construction, reconstruction, and maintenance, along with supporting the BMV, the State Police, the Dept. of Transportation, and the State Department of Revenue
<b>Crossroads 2000 Fund</b>	Bonding for highway projects
<b>BMV Commission</b>	Supports the operation of the licenses branches throughout the state

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Humane Societies.

**Information Sources:** Special Recognition and Trust Plate sales for CY 2005.

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